GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA

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SALE OF UNITS OF CEMENT CORPORATION OF INDIA
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Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have taken a decision to sell out all units of Cement Corporation of India (CCI);

(b) whether some CCI units are making considerable profit;

(c) if so, details of such profit making units;

(d) whether the Government are considering the proposal of bifurcation of such profit making units from the CCI before putting them on sale; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (DR. VALLABHBHAI KATHIRIA)

(a) Yes, sir.

(b) & (c) Only Bokajan unit of Cement Corporation of India Limited (CCI) has been making profits continuouslyRajban unit in Himachal Pradesh was making profit upto 1996-97. However, after 1997, the unit has been incurring losses. Tandur unit in Andhra Pradesh has been making loss but during the year 2001-02, it has made a marginal operating profit.

(d) & (e) CCI is a sick company under reference to Board for industrial & Financial Reconstruction (BIFR), a quasi-judicial bodyIFCI, the Operating Agency (OA), is handling the sale of CCI as a whole or its plants, individually or collectively, under the direction of BIFR given in its meeting held on 27.3.2001. CCI is a non-strategic PSU.